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FORT BEND COUNTY HOUSING/HEALTH FAIR

FRESNO, TEXAS, March 21, 2006 –Representatives of USDA Rural Development, The Fort Bend CORPS and Fresno-Arcola Family Medical Clinic will be at the Mustang Community Center, 4721 FM 521, Fresno, Texas on Saturday, April 1, 2006, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Representatives will be available to provide information about housing programs and to assist individuals with applications. Fresno-Arcola Family Medical Clinic professionals will be available to check your blood pressure at no charge.

USDA Rural Development Housing Programs offer loans and grants to very low, low, and moderate income persons in towns and cities meeting requirements. Programs offered assist qualified persons in purchasing, building, and repairing or maintaining a home.

USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 and includes Housing Programs, Business & Cooperative Programs and Community Programs. USDA Rural Development strives to see that rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy by providing technical assistance, funding, and other programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. For further information regarding USDA Rural Development Programs, contact the Angleton Local Office at (979) 849-5251, Extension 4, or visit our website at <http://rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

The Fort Bend CORPS is a nonprofit corporation and exists to revitalize low-income housing and neighborhoods in Fort Bend County by engaging public/private partnerships and community involvement. For more information regarding the Fort Bend CORPS, please call (281) 313-2688 or email to fbcorps@fortbendcounty.org.

The Fresno-Arcola Family Medical Clinic is an urgent care facility and provides primary health care to the underserved and uninsured population of the Southeast Houston region. For more information regarding medical services, please contact the Fresno-Arcola Family Medical Clinic at (281) 431-6187, or Fax (281) 431-9474.

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